

# Lititz Christian School Cellphone Policy\*

Lititz Christian desires to help educate students to become godly and discerning users of modern technology. While we understand the importance and benefit of cellphones in everyday life, we have found that they can be detrimental to the educational process if not monitored properly. In addition to students being distracted by sending and receiving data (text messages, photos, etc.), cellphones and other electronic devices can be used to gain unauthorized assistance in testing or other school assignments. Similarly, when using a cellphone, students can also potentially access web sites that are normally blocked on our school computer network. Thus, in order to maintain an optimal learning environment, Lititz Christian has adopted the following cellphone policy.

# **SECTION 1- TIME FRAME**

Students are to follow the cellphone policy between 7:25am-2:45pm each school day. The school is not responsible/accountable for cellphone usage after 2:45pm on school campus.

### **SECTION 2 - PERMISSION**

Students are permitted to use cellphones when given specific permission for a specific purpose by a school staff member. When permission is granted, students are expected to adhere to the school's Acceptable Use Policy for all technology usage.

# **SECTION 3 – PROHIBITIONS and GUIDELINES**

The following cellphone policy will be in effect when students are under the supervision of Lititz Christian School during school hours.

- 1. Students are prohibited from using, whether purposefully or accidentally, any cellphone without permission as described in the LC Student Handbook.
- 2. Students may not receive or make phone calls or text messages during the school day.
- 3. During the school day, student cellphones must be turned off and stored in the student's locker or backpack. Cellphones should not be in a student's pocket.

# **SECTION 4 – DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

A student in violation of the Lititz Christian cellphone policy will be subject to disciplinary actions as defined in the LC Student Handbook.

\*This policy applies to all electronic devices capable of transmitting, receiving, or storing voice or data communication.